

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously amended) The novelty kit according to claim 5, wherein said pad is sufficiently flexible to conform to the contoured shape of said body parts; and
wherein said body parts is selected from the group consisting of feet, hands, knees, elbows, shins, and parts thereof.
2. (Previously amended) The method of decorating and protecting a body part according to claim 9, wherein said step of providing decoration includes:
providing the bottom surface of said flexible pad with decorative indicia; and
wherein the step of providing the bottom surface of said flexible pad with decorative indicia includes:
selecting the indicia from at least one of the group comprising color, pattern, graphic design, text, advertising, relief design and texture.
3. (Previously amended) The novelty kit of claim 4, wherein said adhesive material is a reusable adhesive material allowing said pad to be removably secured more than once.
4. (Currently Amended) A novelty kit for providing decorative and disposable fashion wear for body parts that also protects the decorated body parts from abrasion, comprising:
a flexible, trimmable pad having top and bottom surfaces;
an adhesive material on said top surface for removably securing said pad to a body part;
a decoration to be applied to said bottom surface;
a removable layer covering said adhesive material; and
providing said pad with pre-formed, cupped pads for at least one of toes, knees, elbows, and animal pads.

5. (Currently Amended) A novelty kit for providing decorative and disposable fashion wear for body parts that also protects the decorated body parts from abrasion, comprising:

a flexible, trimmable pad having a top surface and a bottom surface;

an adhesive material on said top surface for removably securing said pad to a body part;

a decoration to be applied to said bottom surface;

a removable layer covering said adhesive material; and

a material selected from cushioning, magnetic material, and gel disposed in said pad between said top surface and said bottom surface.

6. Cancelled

7. (Previously amended) The method of decorating and protecting a body part according to claim 9, wherein said flexible pad is divided into a first piece adapted to be removably adhered to a heel and a second piece adapted to be removably adhered to the metatarsal region and toes.

8. (Previously amended) The method of claim 2, wherein said step of providing said top surface with an adhesive material includes providing said top surface with a reusable adhesive material.

9. (Currently Amended) A method of decorating and protecting a body part comprising the steps of:

furnishing a flexible pad having a top surface and a bottom surfaces surface; providing an adhesive on said top surface and a peelable film to preserve said adhesive until used;

providing said bottom surface with a decoration selected from at least one of the group comprising color, pattern, graphic design, text, advertising, relief design and texture;

trimming said pad to a desired shape to apply to at least one body part selected from the group comprising feet, hands, knees, and elbows, and parts thereof;

peeling said film from said adhesive and applying said pad to a selected body part; and

providing said pad with pre-formed cupped pads for at least one of toes, knees, elbows and animal pads.

10. (Currently Amended) A method of decorating and protecting a body part comprising the steps of:

furnishing a flexible pad having a top surface and a bottom surfaces surface;

providing an adhesive on said top surface and a peelable film to preserve said adhesive until used;

providing on said bottom surface a decoration selected from at least one of the group comprising color, pattern, graphic design, text, advertising, relief design and texture;

trimming said pad to a desired shape to apply to at least one body part selected from the group comprising feet, hands, knees, and elbows, and parts thereof;

peeling said film from said adhesive and applying said pad to a selected body part; and

using a material selected from cushioning, magnetic, and gel disposed in said pad between said top surface and said bottom surface surfaces.

11. Cancelled.
12. (Previously amended) The method of claim 9, further comprising means for adapting said pad to apply to the feet of animal pets.
13. (Previously amended) The fashion wear of claim 4, wherein the fashion wear is a shoe and said selected body part is the foot.
14. (Previously amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the flexible pad is a substitute for a shoe and said selected body part is the foot.
15. (Previously amended) The fashion wear of claim 4, wherein the fashion wear is a glove and said selected body part is the hand.
16. (Previously amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the flexible pad is a substitute for a glove and said selected body part is the hand.
17. (Previously amended) The fashion wear of claim 4, wherein the fashion wear is a knee pad and said selected body part is a knee.
18. (Previously amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the flexible pad is a substitute for a knee pad and said selected body part is the knee.
19. (Previously amended) The fashion wear of claim 4, wherein the fashion wear is an elbow pad and said selected body part is an elbow.
20. (Previously amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the flexible pad is a substitute for an elbow pad and said selected body part is an elbow.

21. (Currently amended) A novelty fashion wear item, comprising:
a flexible pad having an upper surface and a lower surface with a non-slip texture;
said pad being sufficiently flexible to conform to a contoured surface area of a body part;

said pad having its entire upper surface coated with an adhesive material for removably securing said pad to said contoured surface area of a body part to facilitate decorating said contoured surface area; and

said pad having its lower surface provided with indicia to decorate said contoured surface area.

22. (Previously amended) A method of decorating a body part, comprising the steps of:

providing decorative fashion wear;

said fashion wear including:

a flexible pad with a non-slip texture, said pad having an upper surface and a lower surface and being sufficiently flexible to conform to a contoured surface area of the body part;

providing the entire upper surface with an adhesive material for removably securing said pad to the contoured surface area of the body part;

providing the lower surface with indicia to decorate the contoured surface area of the body part; and

applying said decorative fashion wear to the contoured surface area of the body part for decorating purposes.

23. (Previously amended) A fashion wear item, comprising:

a non-slip pad having a non-skin irritating adhesive material completely covering one of its surfaces and decorative indicia covering at least a portion of another one of its surfaces; and

a peelable material covering said non-skin irritating adhesive to protect the adhesive

material until it is ready for use to facilitating decorating a contoured area of a user selected body part.

24. (Previously added) The fashion wear item according to claim 23, wherein said non-skid pad has a sufficient thickness to protect said contoured area of a user selected body part from abrasion when brought into engaging contact with a ground surface.

25. (Previously added) The fashion wear item according to claim 24, wherein said non-skid pad is a pad ethylene vinyl acetate having a thickness of about one sixteenth of an inch.

26. (Previously added) The fashion wear item according to claim 24, wherein said adhesive material is acrylate polyurethane tape having about a 1.2 mil thickness with a layer of acrylate adhesive on one of its.

27. (Previously added) The fashion wear item according to claim 23, wherein the decorative indicia is screen printed on said non-skid pad.

28. (Previously added) The fashion wear item according to claim 25 wherein the decorative indicia is screen printed on said pad of ethylene vinyl acetate.

29. (Previously added) The fashion wear item according to claim 23, wherein said non-skid pad is sufficiently flexible to conform to the contour of user selected body part consisting of a group of body parts selected from the hands, fingers, feet, toes, knees and elbows of a user to provide decoration for the body part selected.

30. (Previously added) The fashion wear item according to claim 24, wherein said non-skid pad is selected from a group of materials consisting of rubber, fabric, paper, plastic, synthetic materials, leather, and polyurethane foam.

31. (Previously added) The fashion wear item according to claim 30, wherein said non-skid pad is trimmable and disposable after use.

32. (Previously added) The fashion wear item according to claim 23, wherein the decorative indicia is selected from an indicia group consisting of color, patterns, messages, trademarks, and advertisements.

33. Cancelled.

34. (Previously added) A method of decorating and protecting a body part, according to claim 9, wherein said step of furnishing a flexible pad having top and bottom surfaces includes:

providing said flexible pad with a non-slip texture, said pad being sufficiently flexible to conform to a contoured surface area of said selected body part.

35. (Previously added) A method of decorating and protecting a body part, according to claim 10, wherein said step of furnishing a flexible pad having top and bottom surfaces includes:

providing said flexible pad with a non-slip texture, said pad being sufficiently flexible to conform to a contoured surface area of said selected body part.

36. (Previously added) The method of decorating and protecting a body part according to claim 35, wherein said step of providing an adhesive on said top surface includes:

providing a non-skin irritating adhesive material.

37. (Previously added) The method of decorating and protecting a body part according to claim 35, wherein said pad has a sufficient thickness to protect said contoured surface area of said selected body part from abrasion when brought into engaging contact with a ground surface.

38. (Previously added) The method of decorating and protecting a body part according to claim 37, wherein said pad is a pad of water resistant ethylene vinyl acetate having a thickness of about one sixteenth of an inch.

39. (Previously added) The method of decorating and protecting a body part according to claim 35, wherein said adhesive is acrylate polyurethane tape having about a 1.2 mil thickness with a layer of skin-compatible adhesive on one of its surfaces for facilitating removably securing said pad to said selected body part.

40. (Previously added) The method of decorating and protecting a body part according to claim 10, wherein said decoration is decorative indicia screen-printed on said pad.

41. (Previously added) The method of decorating and protecting a body part according to claim 38 wherein said decoration is decorative indicia; and wherein said decorative indicia is screen-printed on said pad of ethylene vinyl acetate.

42. (Previously added) The method of decorating and protecting a body part according to claim 9, wherein said pad is a non-slip pad; and wherein said non-slip pad is selected from a group of materials consisting of rubber, fabric, paper, plastic, synthetic materials, leather, and polyurethane foam.

43. (Previously added) The method of decorating and protecting a body part according to claim 42, wherein said non-slip pad is disposable after use.

44. (Previously added) The method of decorating and protecting a body part according to claim 41, wherein the decorative indicia is selected from an indicia group consisting of color, patterns, messages, trademarks, and advertisements.

45. (Previously added) The fashion wear of claim 4, wherein said flexible pad has a non-slip texture.

46. (Previously added) The fashion wear of claim 4, wherein said adhesive material is a non-skin irritating adhesive material.